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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: Notice of final determination in the antidumping duty investigation of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the People's Republic of China (A-570-036)

- 1. On 01/11/2017, Commerce published in the Federal Register (82 FR 3284) its final determination of sales at less than fair value in the antidumping duty investigation of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the People's Republic of China (PRC).
- 2. The products covered by this investigation are certain biaxial integral geogrid products. Biaxial integral geogrid products are a polymer grid or mesh material (whether or not finished, slit, cut-tolength, attached to woven or non-woven fabric or sheet material, or packaged) in which four-sided openings in the form of squares, rectangles, rhomboids, diamonds, or other four-sided figures predominate. The products covered have integral strands that have been stretched to induce molecular orientation into the material (as evidenced by the strands being thinner in width toward the middle between the junctions than at the junctions themselves) constituting the sides of the openings and integral junctions where the strands intersect. The scope includes products in which four-sided figures predominate whether or not they also contain additional strands intersecting the four-sided figures and whether or not the inside corners of the four-sided figures are rounded off or not sharp angles. As used herein, the term "integral" refers to strands and junctions that are homogenous with each other. The products covered have a tensile strength of greater than 5 kilonewtons per meter ("kN/m") according to American Society for Testing and Materials ("ASTM") Standard Test Method D6637/D6637M in any direction and average overall flexural stiffness of more than 100,000 milligram-centimeter according to the ASTM D7748/D7748M Standard Test Method for Flexural Rigidity of Geogrids, Geotextiles and Related Products, or other equivalent test method standards.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, packaged, or otherwise further processed in a third country, including by trimming, slitting, coating, cutting, punching holes, stretching, attaching to woven or non-woven fabric or sheet material, or any other finishing, packaging, or other further processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the biaxial integral geogrid.

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The products subject to the scope are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") under the following subheading: 3926.90.9995. Subject merchandise may also enter under subheadings 3920.20.0050 and 3925.90.0000. The HTSUS subheadings set forth above are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope is dispositive.

- 3. This investigation has been assigned investigation number A-570-036.
- 4. For imports of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the People's Republic of China, CBP shall continue to suspend liquidation of such shipments entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after 05/24/2016.
- 5. Effective 01/11/2017, CBP shall require, for entries of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the People's Republic of China from the exporter listed below, a cash deposit equal to the antidumping duty cash deposit(s) shown below:

**Exporter: PRC-Wide Entity** 

Case number: A-570-036-000 Cash deposit rate: 372.81%

Note to CBP: Effective 01/11/2017, BOSTD Geosynthetics Qingdao Ltd. (BOSTD) and Taian Modern Plastic Co., Ltd. (Taian Modern) are both considered part of the PRC-Wide entity. Accordingly, Commerce has deactivated the following case numbers previously applicable to these exporters: A-570-036-001 and A-570-036-002. Effective 01/11/2017, entries of subject merchandise from these exporters should be entered under A-570-036-000.

- 6. Additionally, in the final determination, Commerce determined that critical circumstances exist for imports of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the PRC exported by BOSTD. Accordingly, because BOSTD did not have an affirmative margin at the preliminary determination, CBP shall suspend liquidation of shipments of such merchandise exported by BOSTD that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption during the period 10/13/2016 through 01/10/2017, which is the 90-day period prior to the date of publication of the final determination in the Federal Register and collect a cash deposit on such entries at the rate of 372.81 %.
- 7. For all other entries of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the PRC, the following cash deposit instructions apply:
- A. For all PRC exporters of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the PRC which have not Message Date: 01/23/2017 Message Number: 7023307 Page 3 of 5

received their own rate, the cash deposit will be the PRC-wide rate.

- B. For all non-PRC exporters of certain biaxial integral geogrid products from the PRC which have not received their own rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to the exporter/producer combinations that supplied that non-PRC exporter.
- 8. If there are any questions by the importing public regarding this message, please contact the Call Center for the Office of AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-0984. CBP ports should submit their inquiries through authorized CBP channels only. (This message was generated by OV: JEH.)
- 9. There are no restrictions on the release of this information.

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## **Company Details**

\*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party

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